

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
ANTICIPATORY BAIL APPLICATION NO.3332 OF 2025

Mr. Pandurang Namdev Ingale	...Applicant
<i>Versus</i>	
The State of Maharashtra	...Respondent

Mr. Siddharth N. Sutaria, a/w Mr. Hrishikesh Ghorpade for Applicant.
Mr. A.R. Metkari, APP for the State.
PSI, Mr. Maruti Waghmare, Ambegaon Police Station, Pune City present.

CORAM: MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.
DATED : 3rd December 2025

P.C.:

1. Heard Mr. Siddharth Sutaria, learned Counsel appearing for the Applicant and Mr. Metkari, learned APP for the State.

2. By this application filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 ("BNSS"), the Applicant is seeking pre-arrest bail in connection with C.R. No.261 of 2025 registered with Ambegaon Police Station, Pune City, for the offences punishable under Sections 3, 4, 5 of the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956 ("PITA") and Sections 143 and 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 ("BNS").

3. As per the prosecution case, the Applicant is the owner of the premises where the prostitution activity was going on.

4. It is the submission of Mr. Sutaria, learned Counsel appearing for the Applicant that the Applicant is not the owner of the premises in question. He was just the witness at the time of execution of leave and license Agreement dated 21st September 2021 executed between the Accused No.4 and Borule Kiran Kamlakar and except this he has no role to play. In any case, he submits that the said premises are given on license for a period of sixty months from 1st November 2021 to 31st October 2026 by registered leave and license agreement dated 21st September 2021. He submits that FIR has been lodged on 11th October 2025 and the Applicant is not concerned with the crime. The Applicant has no antecedents.

5. On the other hand, Mr. Metkari, learned APP strongly opposes the Application. He submits that as per the statement of the victim the amount received from the customers was shared with the Applicant.

6. Perusal of the record shows that except the said allegation that the money received from the customers was shared with the Applicant, there is no other role attributed to the present Applicant. The present Applicant is not the owner of the premises in question and merely acted as witness while executing leave and license agreement. There are no antecedents.

7. The Applicant is Accused No.3. Accused Nos.1 and 2 have been arrested and released on regular bail. Accused No.4 has been granted anticipatory bail by this Court.

8. Accordingly, the case is made out for grant of anticipatory bail. In view thereof, the following Order is passed:

ORDER

- (i) In the event of arrest, the Applicant - Mr. Pandurang Namdev Ingale be released on bail in C.R. No.261 of 2025 registered with Ambegaon Police Station, Pune City, on executing P.R. bond of Rs.1,00,000/- and furnishing one or two solvent sureties in the like amount.

- (ii) The Applicant shall attend the concerned Police Station on 10th December 2025 and 11th December 2025 between 11.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. and thereafter once a week i.e. on every Sunday between 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m., till filing of the Charge-sheet and shall co-operate with the investigation.
- (iii) The Applicant shall furnish his cell phone number and residential address to the Investigating Officer and shall keep the same updated, in case of any change thereto.
- (iv) The Applicant shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat, or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade such a person from disclosing the facts to the Court or to any Police personnel.
- (v) The Applicant shall not leave India without prior permission of the Court.

(vi) The Applicant shall not tamper with the prosecution evidence and shall not contact or influence the Complainant, or any witness, in any manner.

9. The Anticipatory Bail Application is allowed and disposed of accordingly.

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(MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.)

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